

## **Central Region Council on Workforce Services**

Department of Workforce Services 1385 South State Street, SLC January 24, 2008 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.



## **MEETING MINUTES**

Presiding: Paul Jackson, Chair

Present: Akilah Messado, Ballard Veater, Charles Daud, Colleen Johnson, Dave Kingery, Diana Andersen, Gordon Swensen, Greg

Diven, Jon Pierpont, Karen Silver, Kerry Steadman, Norman Fitzgerald, Parley Jacobs, Karen Silver, Scott Snelson

Excused: John Hill, Rebecca Downs, John Slade, Mark Stimpson

Absent: Colleen Burke, Douglas Johnston, John Slade, Kevin Schofield, Nancy Malecker, Staci Ghneim, Todd Sutton, Tony Gomez

Guests: Ashley Johnson, Mike Richardson, Steve Titensor, Tara Connolly,

Staff: Barbara Clarke, Cassy Hahn, Karla Aguirre, Laurel Morris, Steve Leyba, Yvette Woodland, Tiffany Turley,

Time	Topic and Discussion Leader	Decision(s)	Assignment(s)
12:30	Call to Order and Announcements – Paul Jackson		
	1. Welcome		
	2. Introductions – Tara Connolly, Mike Richardson, Tiffany Turley		
	3. Attendance Letters handed out		
	a. Reminded to call in to be excused if cannot attend (will not count as absence)		
12:35	Legislative Update (handout) – Mike Richardson		
	1. Proposed legislation		
	a. Employment Security Act Amendment		
	b. H.B. 64 Disclosure of information by DWS		
	c. H.B. 73 Child Care Providers		
	d. Independent contractor Database		
	e. Unemployment Insurance Contribution Rate Amendments		
	2. Appropriation Requests		
	a. TANF MOE		
	b. General Assistance (GA) Program		
	c. Child Care Step Down		
	d. GED Support Program		
	e. Refugee Capacity Building		
	i. Very important for our committee (Karen Silver)		

	<ul> <li>3. We are watching additional bills</li> <li>4. To find out more information - Go on the web site, look at appropriations, go to workforce, then global funding bills</li> </ul>	
12:50	Review Meeting Minutes – Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> Paul Jackson  1. New Format – shortened/more condensed	Motion to accept minutes by Karen Silver; Seconded by Ballard Veater; Majority voted "Aye"; 1 Abstained Minutes Approved
12:57	Training Provider Applications – Paul Jackson/Greg Diven  1. Hite Hair Fashion (DBA: The Barber School)  a. New Application	Motion to approve application by Paul Jackson; Seconded by Kerry Steadman Application Approved
1:00	Veteran's Report – Ashley Johnson  1. Overview Highlights  a. Visited VA Hospital, visited patients  b. Warm clothing drive for homeless veterans was a success  c. Registered several Homeless Veterans and talked about services  d. Participated in job and resource fair –South expo center, over 250 veterans  e. Welcome home event – newly retuning veterans  f. Outreach – veterans representative weekly at centers across the street from homeless shelter, SLCC,  2. Many events planned for 2008  3. When we see needs changing are we able to respond?	
12:09	Reports – Karla Aguirre  1. At-A-Glance     a. Participation rate down a little –Holiday break     b. Child care - Timeliness continues to go up     c. Unemployment rate has gone up.  2. Training Services Obligations  3. WIA Rescission     a. Next month we will have a more accurate report     b. About \$2.2 million cut statewide (Youth funding is separate)     1. Central region \$1.2 million cut (approximately)	

	c. Staff will review other funding streams to see if customers can qualify d. New enrollments are currently on hold e. We will not interrupt current commitments – those funds have been obligated f. Discussion on funding impact for Incumbent Worker Training monies awarded to businesses.  1. Can monies awarded to companies be reconsidered/put on hold? 2. Proposal can be sent to the state g. State is looking at other resources (\$1.2 cut) h. This most likely will impact the Governor's plan on education		Paul can take this to State Council for further discussion  Karla and John – explore if we have other funding monies available, state rainy day fund
1:35	State Council Sector Strategies Update  1. Region Council Support & Action Plan - Handout  2. Sector Priority Recommendations – Greg Diven  a. Automotive  b. Construction  c. Manufacturing  d. HealthCare  e. Energy  f. Basic Education  All council members may be asked to help with secondary assignments	Manufacturing accepted as #3 (No objections)	
1:46	Committee Report – Greg Diven  1. Workforce development Committee  a. Educate employers to offer medical insurance or alternatives b. Contribute to workforce today and for the future c. Promote Sector strategies i. The work done on this goal will evolve over several years d. Everyone is invited to our next meeting Feb. 8, (2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday each month) e. Council sponsored "Provider Fair" (last November) was a success i. Reassess future fairs based on current budget cuts (rescissions) f. Provide employment exchange system g. Incumbent worker, marketing workshop for businesses is on hold (also due to recent rescission notice) h. Committee's current focus will be on Sector Strategies		
1:55	Open Session – Paul Jackson		

	<ol> <li>Feb 1&amp;2 - job fair at South Expo Center sponsored by Media one</li> <li>Scott Snelson – Study conducted by Board of Regents         <ul> <li>a. Policy options</li> <li>b. Board of Regents recommendation to merge Salt Lake Community College with Salt Lake/Tooele Technology College</li> <li>c. Response to bill 284 - handout</li> </ul> </li> <li>Old Business</li> <li>New Business</li> <li>Karen Silver-         <ul> <li>a. Child care funding flyer</li> <li>b. Jan 25 state wide democracy day joined with housing day</li> <li>c. Jan 31 mobile home day east building cafeteria 9:15</li> </ul> </li> <li>Public Comment</li> </ol>	
1:04	Closing – Paul Jackson  1. Appreciate open dialogue in our meetings 2. Next Meeting February 14, 2008, 12:00-1:00 p.m.	Motion made to adjourn by Charles Daud Seconded by Norman Fitzgerald Meeting Adjourned